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Former EPCC Student and Journalist, Alfredo Corchado to Discuss Mexican Immigration

El Paso TX, May 13, 2019 – El Paso Community College (EPCC) hosted awardwinning journalist, former EPCC student and University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) graduate, Alfredo Corchado for two discussions on the transformational Mexican immigration to the United States over the past three decades. The discussion is part of the EPCC 50th Anniversary Celebration and Spring Arts Festival and was held in partnership with the Jenna Welch & Laura Bush Community Library at EPCC's Northwest Campus.

"One of the biggest things El Paso Community College did for me was not just the education, but an understanding about the Chicano movement and the struggle that was going on in Mexico," Corchado said. "EPCC opened doors, gave me wings and taught me how to make my dreams come true."

Corchado is an award-winning journalist and Mexico-Border correspondent for the Dallas Morning News. He is the author of two acclaimed books: *Midnight in Mexico* and *Homelands: Four Friends, Two Countries and the Fate of the Great Mexican-American Migration.* He was also the first editor of EPCC's student publication, *Borderlands*.

EPCC serves more than 28,500 students and offers 145 degree and certificate programs. Throughout its 50-year history, the college has remained focused on engaging students, growing community partnerships and fostering excellence. By creating a college-going culture and implementing innovative student success initiatives, EPCC is transforming the pathway to higher education and developing a better prepared workforce for our region.

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